

## BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET

### HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

<b>AGENDA REVIEW</b>	April 24, 2013
<b>BOARD MEETING</b>	May 14, 2013
<b>SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT</b>	All
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Mental Health
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Approval to amend an existing Department of Mental Health Legal Entity Agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District to (1) add additional funding; (2) permit Los Angeles Unified School District to provide the local match for additional outpatient mental health services for Medi-Cal eligible students; and (3) extend the term of the Agreement for three additional Fiscal Years.
<b>PROGRAM</b>	N/A
<b>DEADLINES</b>	N/A
<b>COST &amp; FUNDING</b>	The amendment will be in the amount of \$1,750,000 fully funded with FFP Medi-Cal revenue, and will revise the FY 2012-13 MCA for LAUSD to \$6,139,442. Funding for this Amendment is included in DMH's FY 2012-13 Final Adopted Budget.
<b>PURPOSE OF REQUEST</b>	<p>Authorize the Director of Mental Health (Director), or designee, to prepare, sign and execute an Amendment with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) to allow LAUSD to provide additional outpatient mental health services by permitting LAUSD to provide the local match required for Federal Financial Participation. The Amendment will be effective upon your Board's approval.</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Director, or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute future amendments to this Agreement.</p>
<b>SUMMARY/ ISSUES</b> (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<p>Board approval of the recommended actions will enable LAUSD to deliver additional mental health services to Medi-Cal eligible students by permitting LAUSD to provide the local match necessary to access FFP Medi-Cal. It is estimated this will allow an additional 1,500 unduplicated students to gain access to mental health services through cost-effective means. The students will be provided a range of quality health and mental health care services focused on the specific needs of children, adolescents, and at-risk youth.</p> <p>By assisting with this type of leveraging in the LAUSD system, DMH can introduce an opportunity for school districts to increase access to mental health services and serve additional children at no cost to the County. Initiating the new process with the largest school district enables DMH to troubleshoot a variety of difficult issues as they arise, while helping LAUSD maintain mental health services with a stable funding source.</p>
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